

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S4919–S4983*

**Measures Introduced:** Eight bills were introduced, as follows: S. 3377–3384. **Page S4950**

**Measures Reported:**

S. 2218, to reauthorize the United States Fire Administration. (S. Rept. No. 112–180)

S. 1409, to intensify efforts to identify, prevent, and recover payment error, waste, fraud, and abuse within Federal spending, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 112–181)

Report to accompany S. 2554, to amend title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to extend the authorization of the Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Program through fiscal year 2017. (S. Rept. No. 112–182)

H.R. 3902, to amend the District of Columbia Home Rule Act to revise the timing of special elections for local office in the District of Columbia.

S. 1744, to provide funding for State courts to assess and improve the handling of proceedings relating to adult guardianship and conservatorship, to authorize the Attorney General to carry out a pilot program for the conduct of background checks on individuals to be appointed as guardians or conservators, and to promote the widespread adoption of information technology to better monitor, report, and audit conservatorships of protected persons, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page S4950**

**Measures Passed:**

**District of Columbia Special Election Reform Act:** Senate passed H.R. 3902, to amend the District of Columbia Home Rule Act to revise the timing of special elections for local office in the District of Columbia. **Page S4980**

**National Baseball Hall of Fame Commemorative Coin Act:** Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 2527, to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the National Baseball Hall of Fame, and the bill was then passed, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S4980–81**

Reid (for Gillibrand) Amendment No. 2553, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S4980–81**

**Measures Considered:**

**Disclose Act—Cloture:** Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 3369, to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, Super PACs and other entities. **Pages S4919–32, S4938–43**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill, and, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, and pursuant to the unanimous-consent agreement of Thursday, July 12, 2012, a vote on cloture will occur on Monday, July 16, 2012. **Page S4942**

A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing that on Monday, July 16, 2012, following the vote on confirmation of the nomination of Kevin McNulty, of New Jersey, to be United States District Judge for the District of New Jersey, there be up to 10 minutes of debate, equally divided between the two Leaders, or their designees, prior to the cloture vote on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill. **Pages S4942–43**

**Small Business Jobs and Tax Relief Act:** Senate continued consideration of S. 2237, to provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for an additional year, taking action on the following amendments and motions proposed thereto: **Pages S4932–38**

**Rejected:**

Reid Amendment No. 2524 (to the language proposed to be stricken by Amendment No. 2521), of a perfecting nature. (By 73 yeas to 24 nays (Vote No. 175), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Pages S4932, S4936**

**Pending:**

Reid (for Landrieu) Amendment No. 2521, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S4932, S4937–38**

Reid Amendment No. 2522 (to Amendment No. 2521), to change the enactment date. **Page S4932**

Reid Amendment No. 2523 (to Amendment No. 2522), of a perfecting nature. **Page S4932**

Reid motion to commit the bill to the Committee on Finance, with instructions, Reid Amendment No. 2526, to change the enactment date. **Page S4932**

Reid Amendment No. 2527 (to (the instructions) Amendment No. 2526), of a perfecting nature.

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Reid Amendment No. 2528 (to Amendment No. 2527), of a perfecting nature. **Page S4932**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

Reid Amendment No. 2525 (to Amendment No. 2524), to change the enactment date, fell when Reid Amendment No. 2524 (to the language proposed to be stricken by Amendment No. 2521) was tabled.

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By 57 yeas to 41 nays (Vote No. 176), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to close further debate on Reid (for Landrieu) Amendment No. 2521. **Page S4938**

By 53 yeas to 44 nays (Vote No. 177), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to close further debate on the bill. **Page S4938**

Subsequently, the bill was returned to the calendar. **Page S4938**

**McNulty Nomination—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing that at 5 p.m., on Monday, July 16, 2012, Senate begin consideration of the nomination of Kevin McNulty, of New Jersey, to be United States District Judge for the District of New Jersey; that there be 30 minutes for debate equally divided in the usual form; that upon the use or yielding back of time, Senate vote, without intervening action or debate, on confirmation of the nomination; and that no further motions be in order. **Page S4942**

**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

Mark A. Barnett, of Virginia, to be a Judge of the United States Court of International Trade.

Angela Tammy Dickinson, of Missouri, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri for the term of four years.

A routine list in the Foreign Service.

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**Messages from the House:** **Page S4949**

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**Authorities for Committees to Meet:** **Page S4980**

**Record Votes:** Three record votes were taken today. (Total—177) **Pages S4936, S4938**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 9:32 a.m. and adjourned at 5:48 p.m., until 2 p.m. on Monday, July 16, 2012. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4982.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### MEDICATION AND PERFORMANCE ENHANCING DRUGS IN HORSE RACING

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine medication and performance enhancing drugs in horse racing, after receiving testimony from Barry Irwin, Team Valor International, Versailles, Kentucky; Kent H. Stirling, National Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association, and Edward J. Martin, Association of Racing Commissioners International, both of Lexington, Kentucky; Jeffrey Gural, Newmark Grubb Knight Frank, and James Gagliano, The Jockey Club, both of New York, New York; Matthew Witman, American Quarter Horse Association, Guthrie, Oklahoma; Marc S. Paulhus, Humane Society of the United States, Hendersonville, North Carolina; and Sheila Lyons, American College of Veterinary Sports Medicine and Rehabilitation, Brockton, Massachusetts.

### NATIONAL PETROLEUM RESERVE— ALASKA

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine remediation of Federal legacy wells in the National Petroleum Reserve—Alaska, after receiving testimony from Bud Cribley, State Director, Alaska, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior; and Alaska State Representative Charisse Millett, and Cathy Foerster, Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission, both of Anchorage.

### LEAD'S IMPACTS ON CHILDREN'S DEVELOPMENT AND PUBLIC HEALTH

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the latest science on lead's impacts on children's development and public health, after receiving testimony from Christopher Portier, Director, National Center for Environmental Health, Centers for Disease Control